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Statistics

Number of active registered interior designers - 324
Number of complaints against registered interior designers – 0

Advisory Committee

The committee had not yet met at the time this issue of the Digest was being prepared. However, letters were sent to committee members, asking them to suggest agenda items. You may recall that in the last issue we asked for your recommendations for issues that the committee ought to discuss. We did not receive any.

Continuing Education

We will continue to remind you about the continuing education requirements, so that recent registrants

will be fully aware of them, and all registrants will be reminded to schedule continuing education well before the deadline.

The next deadline for mandatory continuing education requirements is July 31, 2002. In order to renew in a timely manner for the 2-year period following July 31, 2002, most registered interior designers must complete 9 hours of an approved educational program by the deadline. They may complete the education after the renewal date; however, their registration will not be renewed until they have completed the education and they will be required to pay a \$25 late filing fee, in addition to the regular renewal fee. This continuing education requirement does not apply to a person who is initially registered less than 6 months before July 31, 2001.

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Lists of Registrants

The department will soon be implementing 1999 Wisconsin Act 88, which limits the disclosure of personal identifiers by the department on lists that contain the personal identifiers of 10 or more individuals. A "personal identifier" is a name, social security number telephone number, street address, post office box number or 9-digit extended zip code. Thus, any form that the department requires you to complete, in order to apply for or renew a credential, must include a place for you to declare that the

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Telephone Directory

The Division of Business Licensure & Regulation has a menu telephone system which is designed to more efficiently direct the caller to the appropriate section. The telephone number for staff is:

(608) 266-5511

After dialing this number you are asked to press various extensions. For the following requests, please press numbers as noted:

Application Forms	Press 11
Complaint Against Licensees	Press 12
Verification of Licensure	Press 442
Application Processing and Requirements	Press 43
Fax Number	(608) 267-3816

Wisconsin Statutes and Code

Copies of the Wisconsin Statutes and Administrative Rules Relating to the Regulation of Interior Designers can be ordered from the Department. Include your name, address, county and a check payable to the Department of Regulation and Licensing in the amount of \$5.28. The latest edition is dated November, 1997.

Visit the Department's Web Site

www.drl.state.wi.us

Copies of the Regulatory Digest are on the Web.

Send comments to dorl@drl.state.wi.us

Credential Verification Services

The Department of Regulation and Licensing has a feature on the department's web site (<http://www.drl.state.wi.us>) which allows employers and members of the public to verify the status of professional credentials held by nearly 280,000 individuals.

Once the department's web site is accessed, users may click on "Credential Holder Query" and they will gain access to the department's credential data base where they can verify whether an individual holds a current license in any of the professions regulated by the department.